7. Churches and Convents of Goa.

8. Khajuraho monuments, Madhya Pradesh.

9. Hampi monuments, Karnataka.

10. Fatehpur Sikri, Uttar Pradesh.

11. Elephanta caves (Bombay), Maharashtra.

12. Pattadakal monuments (Karnakata).

13. Brihadisvara temple, Tanjore, (Tamilnadu).

High Power Committee on Technical Education

*211. SHRI M. A. BABY:
SHRI K. MOHANAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed a high power Committee to go into the issues of technical education in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Diversion of traffic from Cochin Harbour

*212. SHRI T. K. C. VADUTHALA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the levy of wharfage charges in respect of vehicles passing through the fishing harbour at Cochin has resulted in the diversion of such vehicles through other jetties, owned by private parties;

(b) whether it is a fact that the levy on vehicles carrying prawn is double the ordinary rate; and

(c) whether any such levy has been on other ports in the counrty; and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The vehicles carrying fish are not now paying any wharfage on the fish carried by them.

(b) The proposed levy on vehicles carrying prawns envisages wharfage charges at double the rate proposed for other varieties.

(c) From information available from the Major Ports, no such wharfage on vehicles carrying fish is being imposed.

Correlation of Vedic Mathmatics to Modern Times

*213. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Rashtriya Ved Vidya Prathishthan is going to correlate the Vedic Mathematics and other Ved Vidyas to modern times;

(b) if so, in what manner and the steps envisaged in this regard;

(c) what other kinds of works come in the purview of the Pratishthan and whether preparation and publication of an Encyclopaedia of Bhartiya Vidyas, life and culture and Bharat's illuminating traditions are also proposed to be brought within its purview; and

(d) what are the names and addresses of the experts/scholars associated with it; and the location(s) of the Pratishthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As a first step a workshop is being organised at Jaipur from 25th March to 28th March, 1988 to discuss the signifiance of Vedic Mathematics and its relevance to the curriculum of mathematics in schools.

(c) A statement of the objectives of the Pratishthan which indicate the nature of work which comes under its purview is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below).

(d) The Pratishthan is at present located in Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi. The names and addresses of the experts and scholars, associated with it are contained in the statement laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(c) **Objectives of Rashtriya Ved Vidya Pratishthan:**

1. to preserve, conserve and develop the oral tradition of vedic studies, for which the Pratishthan will undertake various activities such as support traditional vedic institutions and scholars, provide fellowships/scholarships, undertake production of audio|video tapes etc.;

2. to foster the tradition of intonation and recitation through the human agency;

3. to encourage and ensure involvement of dedicated students in higher research in this field;

4. to provide for research facilities to students with the background of vedic knowledge and to equip them with sufficient scientific and analystical outlook, so that modern scientific thought contained in the Vedas particularly disciplines of mathematics, astronomy, meteorology, chemistry, hydraulics, etc. could be linked with modern science and technology and a report established between them and modern scholars;

5. to establish, takeover, manage or supervise vedic pathshalas/research centres all over the country, maintain or run them for any of the objects of the society;

6. to review and administer such of the endowment and trusts as are defunct, or not properly run;

7. to give special attention to shakhas which are extinct and for which human repositories can be identified and to prepare a detailed list of pandits related to these Shakhas;

8. to ascertain the present status of oral traditions relating to the Vedas, particularly intonation and recitation peculiar to various regions, institutions and Mathas in the country;

9. to collect information about the state of textual and interpretations etc. of the various oral traditions of Vedic Shakhas;

10. to collect information about the present state of recordings, both audio and visual, available in the country;

11. to undertake all such activities as may be necessary, incidental or conducive, to the attainment of all or any of the objectives of the Pratishthan in accordance with the memorandum of society.

(D) Names and Addresses of the Experts/scholars associated with Rashtriya Ved Vidya Pratishthan.

1. Shri O.M C. Namboodrie, Secretary, Brahmasvam Matham, Trichur (Kerala).

2. Shri P. C. Sharma, Gandhi Basti, Opp. Dewkas's Shop, Guwahati-781003.

3. Shri Iswar Bhai Patel, Vice-Chairman, Rajasthan Sanskrit Academy, Jaipur.

4. Shri Rameshwar Thakur, M.P. Akhil Bharatiya Veda Rakshan Nidhi, 15, Rakab Ganj Road, New Delhi.

5. Shri Raghu Ram Shastri, Principal, Sharauta Vidyalaya, Srirangam, Tamil Nadu.

6. Shri Samlea Dixit, Principal, Ved Vidyalaya, Gokaran (Karnataka).

7. Godavari Venktanarsimha Avedhani, Petumavari, Agraharam, Tenali (A.P.).

8. Shri Pattabhiram Shastri, 4/7, Hanuman Ghat, Varanasi.

9. Prof. D. P. Chattopadhyaya, Chairman, Central Sanskrit Board, 25, Park Mansion Street, Calcutta.

10. Dr. T. N. Dharmadhikari, Director, Vedic Sanshodhan Mandal, T.V. Nagar, Poona.

11. Dr. Mandan Mishra, Director, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, A-40, Vishal Enclave, Raja Garden, New Delhi.

12. Dr. B. S. Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, K. S. D. Sanskrit University, Darbhanga (Bihar).

13. Shri V. Venkatachalam, Vice-Chancellor, Sampoornanand Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Varanasi.

14. Shri R. C. Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Gurukul Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar.

Paucity of funds for Ernakulam-Alleppy and Alleppy Kayamukulam railway lines

*214. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to paucity of funds the progress of work on Ernakulam-Alleppey and Alleppey-Kayamukulam railway lines is tardy;

(b) what is the progress made in respect of the said works so far; and

(c) by when these railway lines are likely to be completed and commissioned?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) The work on these lines is being progressed according to availability of resources. In the case of the Alleppy-Kayamukulam line there has also been some delay on the part of the State Govt. in acquisition of land required for the project.

(b) The present progress is as under:—

New Line	Cumulative Progress.
Ernakulam-Alleppey	47%
Alleppey-Kayankulam	11%

(c) Completion of these lines will depend on availability of resources in the coming years.

Flexible collapsible containers for liquid cargo

*215. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Railways are considering to introduce the use of flexible collapsible containers for transportation of liquid cargo, replacing the traditional liquid tankers, if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that flexible containers are likely to bring significant economy in transportation of liquid cargo, since it would ensure productive return journeys; if so, to what extent and the details thereof; and

(c) whether the railways have made any trials with flexible containers; if so, what are the results thereof?